



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5820

February Session, 2008

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**AN ACT CONCERNING HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT FOR PRIVATE
WORLD LANGUAGE COURSES AND FOR OTHER SUBJECT AREAS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 10-221a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2008*):

4 (e) Only courses taken in grades nine through twelve, inclusive,
5 shall satisfy this graduation requirement, except that a local or regional
6 board of education may grant a student credit (1) toward meeting a
7 specified course requirement upon the successful completion in grade
8 seven or eight of any course, the primary focus of which corresponds
9 directly to the subject matter of a specified course requirement in
10 grades nine to twelve, inclusive; (2) toward meeting the high school
11 graduation requirement upon completion of a world language course
12 offered privately through a nonprofit provider, provided such student
13 achieves a passing grade on an examination prescribed by the
14 Commissioner of Education and such credits do not exceed four; (3)
15 toward meeting the high school graduation requirement upon
16 achievement of a passing grade on a subject area proficiency
17 examination identified and approved by the Commissioner of
18 Education, regardless of the number of hours the student spent in a
19 public school classroom learning such subject matter; or [(2)] (4)

20 toward meeting the high school graduation requirement upon the
21 successful completion of coursework at an institution accredited by the
22 Department of Higher Education or regionally accredited. One three-
23 credit semester course, or its equivalent, at such an institution shall
24 equal one-half credit for purposes of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10-221a(e)
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ED *Joint Favorable Subst.*